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REMARKS

Claims 2-129 have been cancelled to reduce the filing fee. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims similar or identical to these claims in one or more continuation applications claiming priority to the instant application.

Figures 7C, 7D, and 7E have been added. These figures are identical to Figures 7C, 7D, and 7E of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/397,121, filed July 19, 2002, entitled "Nanowire Coherent Optical Components," by C. Lieber, et al., incorporated by reference in its entirety in the instant application, to which the instant application claims priority to. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

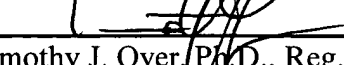
The labeling of Figures 13D-13G has been clarified. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Entry of this amendment, and a notice to that effect, is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that this amendment should not be entered, then the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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